

of Labor, the Department of Defense, the Department of Veterans Affairs, as well as many veterans organizations serving as advocates for veterans and their families across the country and servicemembers as they return.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the gentleman from Indiana (Chairman BUYER); the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. EVANS), our full committee ranking member; and the gentlewoman from South Dakota (Ms. HERSETH), the Economic Opportunities Subcommittee ranking member, for their leadership and hard work on this bill. And, again, as was noted, I especially want to thank the staff.

Once again, this is a bipartisan bill, and I urge all Members to support the Servicemembers Health Insurance Protection Act of 2005.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to support H.R. 2046, the Servicemembers Health Insurance Protection Act of 2005. This legislation offered by the Chairman of the Veterans Affairs Committee Mr. BUYER, would limit premium increases on health insurance for reservists who return to their civilian jobs after serving on active duty and ensure that reservists whose activation is cancelled before they report for duty can reinstate their health care coverage. It also would allow disabled service members to qualify for a housing grant provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs before being discharged from active duty. I support these provisions of the legislation because they protect the rights the men and women of our Armed Forces when they are on duty.

While I do support the provisions of this legislation, I do have concerns about the possible adverse impact on private insurance carriers. I strongly believe it is the responsibility of the Federal government to provide for the healthcare needs of our veterans. Private insurance should not carry the entire national burden of health care for military personnel. I hope that as the agenda of the Veterans Affairs Committee continues to unfold, further legislation will be introduced to provide healthcare for our veterans through the Federal government. We made a promise to our men and women in the Armed Forces that we would take care of them when they were no longer on active duty and we as a Government would be negligent if we did not keep our promise.

Mr. BISHOP of New York. Mr. Speaker, I proudly rise today as a cosponsor and in support of H.R. 2046, the Servicemembers' Health Insurance Protection Act of 2005.

As our brave men and women continue to put their lives on the line for our Nation, we owe each of them the health care coverage they were promised and make it easier for their families to manage the transition to active duty and back to civilian life.

Reservists, who fulfill a critical mission in supplementing our fighting forces, should be treated equally and feel as safe as their active duty counterparts in that their employer provided insurance will still be available upon termination of federal benefits. But for too many reservists, this is not the case.

The Servicemembers' Civil Relief Act was passed, in part, to guarantee reinstatement of employer-provided health care following separation from active duty. However, an unintended consequence of that law allowed insurance companies to unfairly single out reservists by inflating their premiums once they returned to civilian life.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased that we are working to correct this problem by offering this bill as a remedy by protecting our brave reservists from inflated insurance premiums and giving them a helping hand as they return to civilian life.

Mr. REYES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 2046, the Servicemembers Health Insurance Protection (SHIP) Act of 2005, and to voice my strong commitment and appreciation to our nation's servicemembers and veterans as we head into the Memorial Day weekend.

On May 11, 2005, my colleagues and I on the House Veterans Affairs Committee considered H.R. 2046. This important legislation would assist in providing a seamless transition for our Reservists and Guardsmen by curbing health insurance premium increases and preserving employer-sponsored health care coverage. I voted for this legislation because our servicemembers deserve better protections and improved quality of life.

I would also like to take this time to thank our past and current members of the U.S. Armed Forces for their selfless service to our country. We owe each of them a great deal of respect and appreciation, especially those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation. While many of us will be fortunate enough to be surrounded by loved ones this Memorial Day weekend, I encourage all Americans to take this special time to reflect on the sacrifice of those who died while serving their country and to pray for our troops currently in harm's way.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues in Congress to continue caring for our servicemembers by ensuring passage of H.R. 2046.

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. Speaker, as our soldiers face a time of war and strife across the globe, we must be mindful not only of the risks that they face in combat, but also the barriers that they face in planning a secure future here at home after the battle is done.

There are currently about 180,000 Americans serving in Iraq, and another 18,000 in and around Afghanistan. It is estimated that there are 1,652 Maryland national guard and reservists serving in combat today.

This bill is important, because it shows our commitment to the future of our troops, to the future of their families. Today soldiers do not pay taxes on their combat pay, as our way of saying that they are paying more than their fair share in the gift of service they bestow on their country. This is only right, and we owe our soldiers our gratitude. But we also owe them the gift of a future, and this bill allows soldiers to plan for that future even as they are protecting ours.

This bill gives soldiers the opportunity to save for their retirement by including combat zone pay as earned income in calculating the tax deduction for contributions to retirement savings plans.

I think we should go further. In my bill, the Pension Preservation and Savings Expansion Act, I included a provision that allows National

Guard members and military reservists called up on active duty to continue contributing to their workplace retirement plans where their employers pay them their salary differential during their active duty service. This important provision should also be brought to the floor for a vote.

We have an obligation to ensure that our soldiers have a secure present and a secure future, and this bill takes one important step in that direction. I urge a "yes" vote on the Heroes Earned Retirement Opportunities Act.

Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2046, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 2046, as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Arkansas?

There was no objection.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a), rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 32 minutes p.m.) the House stood in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DUNCAN) at 6 o'clock and 31 minutes p.m.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2419, ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2006

Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 109-94) on the resolution (H. Res. 291) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2419) making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER
PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 744, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 29, by the yeas and nays;

H. Con. Res. 149, by the yeas and nays.

The first and third electronic votes will be conducted as 15-minute votes. The second vote in this series will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 1224 will be taken tomorrow.

INTERNET SPYWARE (I-SPY)
PREVENTION ACT OF 2005

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 744, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. SENSENBRENNER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 744, as amended, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 395, nays 1, not voting 37, as follows:

[Roll No. 200]

YEAS—395

Abercrombie	Brown-Waite,	DeFazio
Ackerman	Ginny	DeGette
Aderholt	Burgess	DeLauro
Akin	Butterfield	DeLay
Alexander	Calvert	Dent
Allen	Camp	Diaz-Balart, L.
Andrews	Cannon	Diaz-Balart, M.
Baca	Cantor	Dicks
Bachus	Capito	Dingell
Baird	Capps	Doggett
Baker	Capuano	Doolittle
Baldwin	Cardin	Doyle
Barrow	Cardoza	Drake
Bartlett (MD)	Carnahan	Dreier
Barton (TX)	Carson	Duncan
Bass	Carter	Edwards
Bean	Case	Ehlers
Beauprez	Castle	Emanuel
Berkley	Chabot	Emerson
Berman	Chandler	Engel
Berry	Chocola	Eshoo
Biggert	Cleaver	Etheridge
Bilirakis	Clyburn	Evans
Bishop (GA)	Coble	Everett
Bishop (NY)	Cole (OK)	Farr
Bishop (UT)	Conaway	Feeney
Blackburn	Conyers	Filner
Blumenauer	Cooper	Fitzpatrick (PA)
Blunt	Costa	Flake
Boehlert	Costello	Foley
Boehner	Cox	Forbes
Bonilla	Cramer	Ford
Bonner	Crenshaw	Fortenberry
Bono	Crowley	Fossella
Boozman	Cuellar	Fox
Boren	Culberson	Frank (MA)
Boswell	Cummings	Franks (AZ)
Boucher	Cunningham	Frelinghuysen
Boustany	Davis (CA)	Garrett (NJ)
Boyd	Davis (FL)	Gerlach
Bradley (NH)	Davis (IL)	Gilchrist
Brady (PA)	Davis (KY)	Gillmor
Brady (TX)	Davis (TN)	Gingrey
Brown (SC)	Davis, Jo Ann	Gonzalez
Brown, Corrine	Davis, Tom	Goode
	Deal (GA)	Goodlatte

Gordon	Manzullo	Ross	Kingston	Miller (MI)	Shaw
Granger	Marchant	Rothman	LaTourette	Moore (KS)	Shays
Graves	Markey	Roybal-Allard	Lynch	Poe	Shimkus
Green (WI)	Marshall	Royce	McCrery	Pryce (OH)	Stark
Green, Al	Matheson	Ruppersberger	Meeks (NY)	Rush	Velázquez
Green, Gene	Matsui	Ryan (OH)	Millender-	Sanchez, Loretta	Young (AK)
Grijalva	McCarthy	Ryan (WI)	McDonald	Sessions	
Gutierrez	McCaul (TX)	Ryun (KS)			
Gutknecht	McCollum (MN)	Sabo			
Hall	McCotter	Salazar			
Harman	McDermott	Sánchez, Linda			
Harris	McGovern	T.			
Hart	McHenry	Sanders			
Hastings (FL)	McHugh	Saxton			
Hayes	McIntyre	Schakowsky			
Hayworth	McKeon	Schiff			
Heffley	McKinney	Schwartz (PA)			
Hensarling	McMorris	Schwarz (MI)			
Herger	McNulty	Scott (GA)			
Hersteth	Meehan	Scott (VA)			
Higgins	MEEK (FL)	Sensenbrenner			
Hinchey	Melancon	Serrano			
Hinojosa	Menendez	Shadegg			
Hobson	Mica	Sherman			
Hoekstra	Michaud	Sherwood			
Holden	Miller (FL)	Shuster			
Holt	Miller (NC)	Simmons			
Honda	Miller, Gary	Simpson			
Hooley	Miller, George	Skelton			
Hostettler	Mollohan	Slaughter			
Hoyer	Moore (WI)	Smith (NJ)			
Hulshof	Moran (KS)	Smith (TX)			
Hunter	Moran (VA)	Smith (WA)			
Hyde	Murphy	Snyder			
Inglis (SC)	Murtha	Sodrel			
Inslee	Musgrave	Solis			
Israel	Myrick	Souder			
Issa	Nadler	Spratt			
Jackson (IL)	Napolitano	Stearns			
Jackson-Lee	Neal (MA)	Strickland			
(TX)	Neugebauer	Stupak			
Jefferson	Ney	Sullivan			
Jenkins	Northup	Sweeney			
Jindal	Norwood	Tancredo			
Johnson (CT)	Nunes	Tanner			
Johnson (IL)	Nussle	Tauscher			
Johnson, E. B.	Oberstar	Taylor (MS)			
Johnson, Sam	Obey	Taylor (NC)			
Jones (NC)	Olver	Terry			
Jones (OH)	Ortiz	Thomas			
Kanjorski	Osborne	Thompson (CA)			
Kaptur	Otter	Thompson (MS)			
Keller	Owens	Thornberry			
Kelly	Oxley	Tiahrt			
Kennedy (MN)	Pallone	Tiberi			
Kildee	Pascrell	Tierney			
Kilpatrick (MI)	Pastor	Towns			
Kind	Payne	Turner			
King (IA)	Pearce	Udall (CO)			
King (NY)	Pelosi	Udall (NM)			
Kirk	Pence	Upton			
Kline	Peterson (MN)	Van Hollen			
Knollenberg	Peterson (PA)	Visclosky			
Kolbe	Petri	Walden (OR)			
Kucinich	Pickering	Walsh			
Kuhl (NY)	Pitts	Wamp			
LaHood	Platts	Wasserman			
Langevin	Pombo	Schultz			
Lantos	Pomeroy	Waters			
Larsen (WA)	Porter	Watson			
Larson (CT)	Price (GA)	Watt			
Latham	Price (NC)	Waxman			
Leach	Putnam	Weiner			
Lee	Radanovich	Weldon (FL)			
Levin	Rahall	Weldon (PA)			
Lewis (CA)	Ramstad	Weller			
Lewis (GA)	Rangel	Westmoreland			
Lewis (KY)	Regula	Wexler			
Linder	Rehberg	Whitfield			
Lipinski	Reichert	Wicker			
LoBiondo	Renzi	Wilson (NM)			
Lofgren, Zoe	Reyes	Wilson (SC)			
Lowe	Reynolds	Wolf			
Lucas	Rogers (AL)	Woolsey			
Lungren, Daniel	Rogers (KY)	Wu			
E.	Rogers (MI)	Wynn			
Mack	Rohrabacher	Young (FL)			
Maloney	Ros-Lehtinen				

NAYS—1

Paul
NOT VOTING—37

Barrett (SC)	Cubin	Galleghy
Becerra	Davis (AL)	Gibbons
Brown (OH)	Delahunt	Gohmert
Burton (IN)	English (PA)	Hastings (WA)
Buyer	Fattah	Istook
Clay	Ferguson	Kennedy (RI)

□ 1854

Mr. CONYERS and Mr. TIERNEY changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SECURELY PROTECT YOURSELF
AGAINST CYBER TRESPASS ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DUNCAN). The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 29, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. BARTON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 29, as amended, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 393, nays 4, not voting 36, as follows:

[Roll No. 201]

YEAS—393

Abercrombie	Butterfield	Diaz-Balart, L.
Ackerman	Calvert	Diaz-Balart, M.
Aderholt	Camp	Dicks
Akin	Cannon	Dingell
Alexander	Cantor	Doggett
Allen	Capito	Doolittle
Andrews	Capps	Doyle
Baca	Capuano	Drake
Bachus	Cardin	Dreier
Baird	Cardoza	Duncan
Baldwin	Carnahan	Edwards
Barrow	Baldwin	Ehlers
Bartlett (MD)	Barrow	Emanuel
Barton (TX)	Bartlett (MD)	Emerson
Bass	Barton (TX)	Engel
Bean	Bass	Eshoo
Beauprez	Bean	Etheridge
Berkley	Beauprez	Evans
Berman	Berkley	Everett
Berry	Berman	Farr
Biggert	Berry	Feeney
Bilirakis	Biggert	Filner
Bishop (GA)	Bilirakis	Conaway
Bishop (NY)	Bishop (GA)	Conyers
Bishop (UT)	Bishop (NY)	Cooper
Blackburn	Bishop (UT)	Costa
Blumenauer	Blackburn	Costello
Blunt	Blumenauer	Cox
Boehlert	Blunt	Cramer
Boehner	Boehlert	Crenshaw
Bonilla	Boehner	Crowley
Bonner	Bonilla	Cuellar
Bono	Bonner	Culberson
Boozman	Bono	Cummings
Boren	Boozman	Cunningham
Boswell	Boren	Davis (CA)
Boucher	Boswell	Davis (FL)
Boustany	Boucher	Davis (IL)
Boyd	Boustany	Davis (KY)
Bradley (NH)	Boyd	Davis (TN)
Brady (PA)	Bradley (NH)	Davis, Jo Ann
Brady (TX)	Brady (PA)	Davis, Tom
Brown (SC)	Brady (TX)	Deal (GA)
Brown, Corrine	Brown (SC)	DeFazio
	Brown, Corrine	DeGette
	Brown-Waite,	DeLauro
	Ginny	DeLay
	Burgess	Dent